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CHIEF OGDEN HEADS STATE FIREMEN

Alexandria Selected For
Next Annual Convention
By Virginia Firemen

WINS OVER TWO CITIES

Firemen Well Pleased Over Honor
Conferred On Alexandria by State
Convention in Charlottesville.

Alexandria was chosen as the city for the next annual convention of the Virginia State Firemen's Association at the thirty-third annual session in Charlottesville, Va., yesterday and Kenneth W. Ogden chief of the Alexandria fire department, was chosen president of the association.

News of the selection of Alexandria as the next convention city and of Chief Ogden as its head, was received with satisfaction by the Alexandria firemen present and also by those in this city who were unable to attend.

That Alexandria will do herself proud in entertaining the fire fighters when they come here next year goes without saying. The Alexandria firemen always have been most hospitable when it comes to entertaining visitors.

Alexandria won out for the next convention over Roanoke and Suffolk.

Other officers chosen by the association follows: Chief W. K. Stow, Newport News, vice president; E. K. Andis, Pulaski, secretary; Thomas J. Williams, Charlottesville, treasurer; Lee Lookabill, Roanoke, statistician; Henry W. Battle, Charlottesville, chaplain.

At the session yesterday the service flag containing more than 350 stars, representing that number of Virginia firemen, who served the colors, was unfurled. Thirty members made the supreme sacrifice in France and thirty-five were wounded. The association directed the president to make plans for a fitting memorial service each year in honor of the dead.

Sixty-five Alexandria firemen are attending the convention and some will return home tomorrow night. The majority, however, do not expect to turn before Saturday morning.

The big parade was a feature of the program today. This afternoon there was a ball game and at 5 o'clock old Virginia barbecue will be given.

DOCTORS SAY NEGRO BOYS Died of Rat Poison

Danville, Va., Aug. 28.—Heroic measures resorted to by physicians have saved the lives of Junius Williams and "Brother" Manus, two black negroes, who were critically ill all day Tuesday after having eaten a piece of meat covered with rat poison. Josh Williams, Junius' brother, died from the dose.

The boys were playing at Williams' home when they found a piece of hamburg steak on a shelf in the rear of the house. It had been soaked in rat poison by the boy's father, who was preparing to put it out for rats which have infested his house. While the boy's mother was washing clothes they took the meat and fried it and they all ate. Josh died inside of two hours, no doctor being called for some time because the mother did not know what was the matter with him. When the other two began to show the same symptoms she found what was left of the meat and realized what had happened.

NEW REAL ESTATE FIRM

Edwin B. Garth, who for some time past has been associated in business with Morris L. Horner, has opened a general real estate office at the Smith Building at 624 King street.

Mr. Garth is a new comer to our city, but has made a great many friends and gained the confidence of all who have had any business transaction with him. He is a hustling real estate dealer and we are very glad to welcome him to our community.

Select Hard Shell Crabs—Jacob

Fill's foot of King Street. 204-6p.

RAID CLOWN'S BARROOM

Customers Lined up Against Wall; Got \$2000 in Loot

Paris, Aug. 28.—Six men, wearing United States Navy uniforms, carried out a spectacular hold up Tuesday night in a barroom run by the famous French clown Footit, on Montmartre street.

The men entered the bar at 11 o'clock, and five of them lined up the customers against the wall and searched their pockets. Meanwhile the other man rifled the till, taking from it, in addition to 10,000 francs, Footit's watch and a diamond ring. Footit endeavored to defend his place against the marauders and broke a champagne bottle over the head of one of the men, who, however apparently was not injured.

STATE'S AID TO COUNTY ROADS

Senate Agrees to \$400,000
Program of Rehabilitation.

INCREASE TAXATION

The Total As Estimated Will Bring
the Amount Necessary to Meet the
Federal Appropriation.

Richmond, Aug. 28.—After another day during which three sessions were held, the senate committee on finance finally agreed last night on a basis of taxation for roads which promises to meet with little opposition in either house and thereby bring the special session of the general assembly to an early termination.

The outstanding features of this plan which bids fair to be recorded as the final result of the calling of the special session are as follows:

A seven cents increase in the general property tax and a fifty per cent increase in the automobile license tax—to be applied direct to the state highway system.

A \$400,000 appropriation yearly for two years for State aid to county roads.

An appropriation of \$625,000 yearly for two years to be applied to the state highway system.

An increase of \$206,000 in the merchant's license tax and the franchise tax, exclusive of the tax on the earnings of railroads.

An increase of \$712,000 in the income tax.

With the increase of seven cents, the general property tax is now ten cents providing a total from this source of \$1,250,000. The increase in the automobile license tax will be \$450,000, which, together with the other two items, will yield a total of \$2,617,000 for the first year of the two-year period in which the federal aid will be met by the state. The automobile license tax will increase \$50,000 in the second year, making the total for the two years \$5,286,000.

In addition to these items, the state will receive an increase from the railroads of \$479,000, under the existing tax. This, in addition to several other items enumerated in the subcommittee's report, such as soft drink manufacturers and mineral water concerns, will provide the \$4,650,000 asked by the state highway commissioner to meet the federal appropriation, the \$800,000 for state aid to county roads and leave a surplus in the treasury for other purposes.

The house amendment fixing the salary of the state highway commissioner to be from \$3,500 to \$5,000 was stricken out by the senate committee on roads and internal navigation yesterday and the original text providing that it be from \$5,000 to \$7,500 restored. The bill was reported after being most carefully perused and amended in several minor particulars. The house amendment providing that the five big divisions of the state be heard from before the commission could approve apportionments for each year was stricken out.

ADMINISTRATORS NOTICE

Having qualified as administrator of the estate of the late Alfred Farmer, this is to notify all persons having claims against estate to present them, statement properly certified for settlement. All persons indebted to deceased will please settle promptly.

Robert H. Cox
205-10t. Sergeant Administrator.

NOTICE

Having bought the dairy business of my brother, Russell A. Woolf, I desire to express my appreciation for the patronage given me and solicit for him. All bills beginning September 1, 1919, should be paid him.

Very respectfully,
Horace W. Woolf.

NOTICE

Mrs. J. Hayes has returned from New York with a full line of Fall Millinery.

205-3p

S. R. OFFICES MOVE BACK TO CAPITAL

Fairfax Harrison, President
of Road To Make Quar-
ters in Washington

SOON ALL GO BACK

Offices Now In Richmond—T. H. Gallin, Assistant to President; E. H. Kemper, Comptroller.

President Fairfax Harrison, of the Southern Railway Company, is moving his office back to Washington this week. The offices of Vice-President L. Green and one of the assistants to the president, E. E. Norris, are also in process of removal.

Three of the offices of the Southern Railway Company, which have occupied space in the Chamber of Commerce Building the past year, will remain for the present. These are the offices of T. H. Gallin, assistant to the president; E. H. Kemper, comptroller, and W. H. Owens, mechanical engineer.

One of the officials of the company stated last night that these offices also would eventually be moved to Washington.

Asked the reason for the change, the official stated that it was never the intention of the company to locate headquarters permanently in Richmond.

"The war and the influx of thousands into Washington crowded us out for the period of the war," he said, "and now we are going back."

PITTSBURGH CAR STRIKE

Pittsburgh, Pa. Aug. 28.—The Federal Government took a hand in the street car strike here yesterday when Judges Charles P. Orr and W. H. S. Thompson, in the United States District Court, issued an order directing United States Marshal John F. Short to cause the arrest of all persons interfering with operation of cars.

Upon additional authorization from Attorney General A. Mitchell Palmer, Mr. Short will swear in a large force of deputies to handle the situation. In its order, the court referred to "manifest indifference" of the city authorities during the strike.

RACE RIOTS PREDICTED

Syracuse, N. Y., Aug. 28.—The New York State Federation of Labor convention was informed yesterday by Michael Collieran that unless a change was made in the attitude of New York contractors that city was likely to see a repetition of the race riots of Washington and Chicago. He is president of the New York organization of union plasterers and cement finishers. New York contractors, he said, had imported 300 negro strike-breakers from the South.

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HIGH PRICES DROP

Chicago, Aug. 28.—A drop of \$1 a hundred pounds on the average for hogs, with lower prices for beef cattle at the stockyards yesterday was ascribed to several reasons, including the general protest against the high cost of living. Market men said the tendency was for still lower hog prices, particularly after the fall marketing, and they professed to see a break in high living costs.

The public has curtailed its buying of pork and beef recently, while live stock receipts are large. The eastern market failed to act as an emergency outlet, and the packers virtually withdrew their buyers. Speculators were hit hard.

Live stock men say expert business has been depressed by the foreign exchange situation and that this, coupled with receipts of hogs that accumulated on farms during the railroad shopmen's strike, and the prospect of a strong run of hogs, helped to cause the weak market.

"While the average drop for hogs was at \$1, the differences between today's lowest point and Tuesday's highest point was fully \$1.50, live stock authorities said, while the average drop for beef cattle yesterday ranged from 50 to 75 cents 100 pounds. Sheep also sold lower.

TRIP FOR BIBLE STUDENTS

Will Be Guests of Judge Nicol at Manassas Tomorrow.

The members of the Bible class of the First Baptist Church will tomorrow journey to Manassas as the guests of Judge C. E. Nicol at his summer home at that place. They will be entertained by Judge Nicol and afterward be taken over the battlefields at that place. All members who will attend will meet at 8:30 o'clock at the residence of Judge Nicol, 315 North Washington street in accordance with an order of R. H. Cox, president of the class.

VACATION DAYS ARE NEARLY OVER

Work of Issuing Permits To
Public School Children
Begins Sept. 8.

STUDIES SEPTEMBER 15

Practically All in Readiness For Re-
opening—Increased Attendance Ant-
icipated By School Authorities.

Permits for children to attend the public schools will be issued at Lee school building beginning Monday, September 8, by Gilbert J. Cox, clerk of the city school board. Permits will be issued to white children Monday and Tuesday. On Wednesday permits will be issued to children who will attend West End school.

Permits for colored children will be issued Thursday and Friday. Every child intending to enter the schools will have to produce a tax receipt before a permit is issued.

The school authorities anticipate a greatly increased attendance at the coming school session.

The schools will reopen for studies September 15. Practically all is now in readiness for the reopening. Many new teachers have been added to the faculty since the last scholastic session.

UNION LABOR ULTIMATUM

Philadelphia, Aug. 28.—A delegation of 12 from the Associated Council of Building Trades waited on the Property Committee of the Board of Education yesterday afternoon to urge that all work on public school buildings in Philadelphia be "fair" or union. In asking that only such contractors be given awards as employ union labor, W. J. Wilson, one of the delegates, stated that the only alternative was a builder's strike.

BURN LODGES AND CHURCH

Dublin, Ga., Aug. 28.—Fire, believed to have been of incendiary origin, destroyed five negro lodge buildings and a negro church at Cadwell, near here, early yesterday. Fire broke out simultaneously about 2 o'clock in the structures.

TREATY CLASH IN THE SENATE

Nelson And McCumber Give
Sharp Rebukes To
Fall.

HE HIDES BEHIND AGE

New Mexican's Assertions Unquali-
fiedly False, North Dakotan Tells
Him.

Senator Fall, Republican, New Mexico, replying in the Senate yesterday to an address Tuesday by Senator Mr. Cumber, Republican, North Dakota, criticizing the Foreign Relations Committee for amending the Shantung provision of the peace treaty and did not know its contents, were the most insistent that it be ratified immediately.

Soon after he began speaking, Senator Fall was interrupted by Senator Nelson, Republican, of Minnesota, who asked what he proposed to do with the treaty.

"There is no use attempting to chop this treaty into mince meat," declared the Minnesota Senator. "If that is the Senator's object he will find that mince meat will be wiped aside by the Senate."

Senator Fall said he would not enter into a discussion with Senator Nelson in deference to the latter's age, whereupon Senator Nelson rejoined:

"You needn't consider by age, but just consider me the youngest man in the Senate. I am neither in my second childhood in this matter nor in the Mexican matter."

Later interruptions of Senator Fall's speech by Senator McCumber led to one of the bitterest exchanges since the treaty debate began. Facing each other at a distance of a few feet, the two Senators raised their voices and pounded their desks to emphasize their declarations.

When Senator Fall said that Senator McCumber had defended on the ground of justice the award to Japan of "goods stolen by Germany from China," Mr. McCumber sprang to his feet and shouted:

"I deny that state in toto as being absolutely and unqualifiedly false. I have never taken the ground that the act of Germany was fair and moral."

"You did defend the Shantung provision," retorted Senator Fall, "and claimed that Japan had the right to take Shantung."

"And she derived that right under a solemn pledge to return it, but you leave that out of your statement," rejoined Senator McCumber.

Senator McCumber said that as Senator Fall was prescribing for the conduct of Senators, he should take some of his own medicine, adding, "and you will take it before you are through."

Referring to statements by Senator McCumber that the committee had intended to "slap Japan in the face" and make trouble by the Shantung amendment, Senator Fall said he was "weary" of having his motives imputed and of the efforts of some to make the nation take the treaty "just as it came from the White House" typewriter with no more consideration for the American people than was shown the Germans when they signed at the point of the bayonet.

"If I err," he continued, "I err sincerely. I err through an excess of patriotism. I err because I am a American."

WAS BIG SUCCESS

The annual excursion of Alexandria Lodge of Elks given yesterday to Marshall Hall was largely attended. It is estimated that 2,000 persons patronized the affair. One hundred and twenty-five little children were guests of the Elks. They were given dinner and enjoyed games and other amusements. The children were chaperoned by Capt. and Mrs. Hellwege, of the Salvation Army. A committee of Elks, composed of H. Friedlander, Clarence F. Johnson and A. A. Paul also looked after the wants of the little ones who greatly enjoyed the day's outing.

Extra trips were made by the steamer Charles Macalester to handle the big crowd.

WILL CLOSE TOMORROW.

Playgrounds Have Had Average Attendance of 250.

The Lee School Playground has been splendid, averaging about 250 a day. All the children have had lots of fun playing ball games of all kinds and also many other games. The slide and see-saws have been very busy all summer. Besides these there have been ring games and folk dances for the smaller children. The larger ones have enjoyed basket ball, volley ball and other games.

The grounds will close tomorrow for the season. Come and see the folk dances and games and also the sewing exhibit. All are invited. Grounds open at four o'clock.

FEAR CONGESTION OF R. R. LABOR DAY

Regional Director Urge Pa-
trons To Buy Tickets and
Arrange Trips Early.

PROVIDE FOR CROWD

Heavy Movement of Discharged Sol-
diers From Camps Just Now—Ex-
tra Force Will Be On Hand.

Walker D. Hines, Director General of Railroads, today authorized the following:

"In view of the extraordinary heavy travel anticipated over Labor Day it is urged that the public if desiring to travel on railroads over Labor Day make their traveling arrangements including the purchase of railroad and sleeping car tickets, as far in advance as possible, so as to avoid adding to the congestion which usually occurs at this period. As far as possible everything that can properly be done has been done to care for the expected travel over Labor Day. Several weeks ago our Regional Directors were asked to give special consideration to this matter, and each of them has answered that he issued the necessary instructions and has taken steps to provide as much equipment as possible to adequately care for the travel as far as its volume can be anticipated. The arrival within the next two weeks of the First and Third Army divisions from France will require a large number of cars, and there is also still a very heavy movement of discharged soldiers from camps to their homes, which takes up a great deal of space in passenger equipment, but all equipment that the troop movement section can possibly spare has been assigned to the Labor Day traffic. Arrangements have also been made to supply extra baggage men at all large centers and other points where congestion might occur, also extra ticket forces have been arranged."

POTOMAC FISH CO., have just received a nice supply of fresh fish for tomorrow and balance of week: Jersey trout, Norfolk trout, butterfish, flounders, Norfolk spots, bluefish, taylor's, white perch, haddock, stake halibut, catfish, clams and hard shell crabs. C. H. Zimmerman, Proprietor. Phone 198. 205-1p

OPENING OF THE CITY SCHOOLS

School permits will be issued at Lee School building commencing Monday morning, September 8, 1919. Permits will be issued to white children Monday and Tuesday. Permits for West End School will be issued Wednesday. Permits for colored children will be issued Thursday and Friday. Every child who expects to attend the schools will be required to present tax receipt.

Gilbert J. Cox,
Clerk School Board.

NOTICE

Meeting Seminole Tribe Red Men. The members of Seminole Tribe No. 35, are requested to be present at the regular meeting tonight, Thursday, August 28th, at 8 p. m., in Odd Fellows' Hall, North Columbus street. Business of importance to be presented. Visitors welcome. By order of Sachem

205-1c R. C. Sullivan, C. of R.

HAPPENINGS ABOUT CITY TOLD IN BRIEF

A meeting of Seminole Tribe No. 35, Red Men, will be held at 8 o'clock tonight in Odd Fellows' Hall.

Secretary of War Baker has asked for an appropriation of \$20,400 for Camp Humphreys for the engineer school.

A game of basketball between boys team is scheduled to be played at 6:30 o'clock this evening at the Lee School playgrounds.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Simpson left yesterday by way of New York City, to spend a week at Niagara Falls and Toronto, Canada.

Mrs. Helen Houck and children of Hanover, Pa., who have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. David Everett, North Payne street, have returned to their home.

A special meeting of the board of police commissioners will be held at 7:30 o'clock tonight at the office of Mayor Fisher. A number of witnesses have been summoned to appear before the board in a proposed investigation of the case.

The commissioners of the sinking fund will purchase from the lowest bidders \$12,000 of Alexandria four per cent bonds. All bids will be opened at the office of the mayor at 11 o'clock September 2. Payment will be made immediately if bonds are presented.

Sergt. Harry Penlikeas, of the 12th Field Artillery, who recently returned from overseas, and who has been on a furlough, spent the last month as the guest of Miss Theresa M. Nash, Seminary Hill, has returned to his battery stationed at Camp Travis, Texas.

Subscribers are requested to settle bills in full when the collector calls. Owing to the large number of subscribers and the reduced price at which the paper is sold it will be impossible to make more than one call a month for the subscription price. Unless subscriptions are promptly paid the paper will be discontinued without further notice.

R. S. Roberts, hotel operator, announces the following promotions and transfers among his managers: Mr. and Mrs. G. Fred Flinders from Hotel Vowell, 619 South Lee Street to Franklin House, Boston, Mass.; Mr. and Mrs. Richard K. Woodburn from Hotel Lampher, 521 King Street to Hotel Vowell; Mr. and Mrs. Fern M. Clark will take charge of Hotel Lampher.

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ALEXANDRIA CITY BONDS \$12,000.00

The Commissioners of the Sinking Fund of Alexandria, Virginia, will purchase from the lowest bidders Twelve thousand dollars of Alexandria City Four per cent Bonds. All bids opened at the office of the Mayor Tuesday, September 2, 1919, at 11 o'clock A. M. Offer bonds flat rate. Payment made immediately if bonds are presented. The right to reject any or all bids is reserved.

Thomas A. Fisher, Mayor and Chairman of the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund. 205-2p.

ANNUAL MEETING

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Union Building Co. 1 will be held at the office of the Company, 119 South Fairfax Street, Alexandria, Va., on Monday, September 15th, 1919, at 11:30 a. m., for the election of officers and directors for the ensuing year and the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

M. M. Parker, President.
202-12c Louis Beyer, Jr., Secy.